



**City Council Meeting  
City Council Chambers  
145 West Broad Street  
Spartanburg, SC  
Monday, November 27, 2017  
5:30 p.m.**

**(These minutes were approved at the  
December 11, 2017 City Council meeting.)**

**City Council met this date with the following Councilmembers present: Mayor pro tem Stille, Councilmembers Jerome Rice, Sterling Anderson, Rosalyn Henderson Myers, Erica Brown and Alan Jenkins. Mayor White was out of town. Assistant City Manager Chris Story and City Attorney Cathy McCabe were also in attendance. Notice of the meeting was posted with the Media 24 hours in advance according to the Freedom of Information Act. All City Council meetings are recorded for a complete transcript.**

**I. Moment of Silence - observed**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance - recited**

**III. Approval of the Minutes of the November 13, 2017 City Council Meeting –**  
*Councilmember Henderson Myers made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

**IV. Approval of the Agenda of the November 27, 2017 City Council Meeting –**  
*Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Jenkins seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

**V. Public Comment**

\*Citizen Appearance forms are available at the door and should be submitted to the City Clerk

1. **Dr. Thom Evans, Pastor at First Presbyterian Church**, spoke positively regarding the Neighborly Community resolution.
2. **Seth Reid, Eagle Scout candidate**, spoke positively regarding the Neighborly Community resolution. He indicated that he would work with City staff to have a plaque installed at an agreed location in front of City Hall.
3. Dr. Cristina Jefferies spoke regarding the pros and cons of DACA.

**VI. Resolution**

- A. Creating an Honorary Sign in Memory of Dr. Bryan E. “Doc” Lindsay to be Placed Near the Duncan Park Amphitheatre Stage**  
**Presenter: Mitch Kennedy, Community Services Director**  
**Mr. Kennedy presented the item to Council as follows:**

“City Council and Staff recently heard comments from City resident Don Bramblett regarding the previous contributions of Dr. Bryan E. “Doc” Lindsay to the City’s Special Events efforts. Staff, with the leadership of Mr. Bramblett has compiled the contributions of Dr. Lindsay.

The attached Resolution reconciles Dr. Lindsay’s contributions and a recommendation to create a sign at Duncan Park in his memory.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Approve Resolution that creates an Honorary Sign in Memory of Dr. Bryan E. “Doc” Lindsay to be placed near the Duncan Park Amphitheatre Stage.”

*Mayor pro tem Stille made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

*See resolution below:*



CITY OF  
SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA

## Resolution

**CREATING AN HONORARY SIGN IN MEMORY OF  
DR. BRYAN E. "DOC" LINDSAY TO BE PLACED NEAR THE DUNCAN PARK  
AMPHITHEATRE STAGE**

Whereas, Dr. Bryan E. "Doc" Lindsay, one of Spartanburg's most active citizens died on March 7, 1995;

Whereas, Dr. Bryan E. "Doc" Lindsay, was a Professor of Fine Arts at USC Spartanburg and charter member of the ABC Steering Committee;

Whereas, Dr. Bryan E. "Doc" Lindsay, was an art educator, music conductor, poet, song-writer, performer and consultant, and also chaired the Creative Writing subcommittee;

Whereas, Dr. Bryan E. "Doc" Lindsay, was the creator and organizer of music for Jazz In The Park concerts at the annual Spartanburg Spring Fling Festival;

Whereas, Dr. Bryan E. "Doc" Lindsay's commitment to improve the quality of life of Spartanburg citizens, his love of music and his ability to inspire others earned him the respect and gratitude of the arts community and the people of Spartanburg.

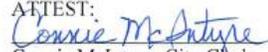
Whereas, Dr. Bryan E. "Doc" Lindsay is being memorialized for his dedication and extraordinary commitment to the citizens of Spartanburg with a sign that will be placed at the Duncan Park Amphitheatre Stage;

Whereas, the City Council has determined that this memorial sign will be to the benefit of the citizens and the City of Spartanburg;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF SPARTANBURG, IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED DO HEREBY RESOLVE:

1. A sign reading Dr. Bryan "Doc" Lindsay Stage of Performing Arts will be installed near the Duncan Park Amphitheatre Stage.
2. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its enactment.

DONE AND RATIFIED THIS 27 DAY OF NOVEMBER 2017.

ATTEST:  
  
Connie McIntyre, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
  
Cathy H. McCabe, City Attorney

  
Junie L. White, Mayor



**B. Expressing the City’s Support of the New Markets Tax Credits, Historic Tax Credits, and Tax Exempt Private Activity Bonds**

**Presenter: Ed Memmott, City Manager**

**Mr. Memmott** presented the item to Council as follows:

“Pending federal tax reform legislation could eliminate several financing tools that have been extensively utilized for economic and community development purposes in Spartanburg. The New Markets Tax Credit and Historic Tax Credit programs have leveraged millions in private investments in downtown and in our most challenged neighborhoods.

Tax exempt private activity bonds have been used extensively to fund affordable housing projects and other projects by undertaken by non-profits and colleges. If the tax exempt status of private activity bonds is lost, it will have significant impact on our redevelopment efforts in Spartanburg.

ACTION REQUESTED: Consider and take action on a resolution to encourage Congress to maintain these tax credits and the tax exempt status of private activity bonds.”

*Councilmember Anderson made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Councilmember Henderson Myers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

**C. Affirming the City of Spartanburg’s Commitment to Encourage All Residents, Civic Institutions, Businesses and Partners to Promote Policies and Practices to Support a Neighborly Community**

**Presenter: Ed Memmott, City Manager**

**Mr. Memmott** presented the item to Council as follows:

“In response to interest expressed by Council, staff has drafted a resolution that expresses City values and aspirations as a neighborly community that is welcoming of all people.

ACTION REQUESTED: Consider and take action on the proposed resolution.”

*Councilmember Henderson Myers made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Councilmember Jenkins seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

**D. In Support of Extension of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program and Permanent Legal Status for Dreamers**

**Presenter: Ed Memmott, City Manager**

**Mr. Memmott** presented the item to Council as follows:

“In response to interest expressed by Council, staff has drafted a resolution that encourages Congress to extend protection to childhood immigrant arrivals. Typically referred to as Dreamers, these residents immigrated to the United States as young children. Unless their immigration status is resolved by Congress, these residents may become subject to deportation.”

ACTION REQUESTED: Consider and take action on a resolution to encourage Congress to take action on childhood arrivals.

*Councilmember Jenkins made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Mayor pro tem Stille seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

## VII. Ordinance

- A. **Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Not Exceeding \$4,715,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2017, of the City of Spartanburg, South Carolina for the Purpose of Refunding Certain Maturities of the City's \$6,995,000 Original Principal Amount General Obligation Bonds, Series 2010; Fixing the Form and Details of the Bonds; Providing for the Payment of the Bonds; Authorizing the Mayor or the City Manager to Determine Certain Matters Relating to the Bonds; Providing for the Disposition of the Proceeds of the Bonds; and Other Matters Relating Thereto (First Reading)**

**Presenter: Chris Story, Assistant City Manager**

Mr. Story presented the item to Council as follows:

“The attached ordinance authorizes the refinancing of the remaining 2010 General Obligation bonds. We are not extending the term of the debt or increasing the city’s obligations. We are simply seeking to take advantage of lower interest rates to achieve annual savings of approximately \$25,000 annually.

As you recall, there is a chance that federal tax reforms under currently under consideration could impact transactions of this nature. Therefore we are seeking to close this transaction prior to the end of 2017. To meet that timeline, we will need to hold a very brief special meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup>.”

*Councilmember Brown made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented on first reading. Councilmember Henderson Myers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

## VIII. Other Business

- A. **Boards and Commissions – Storm Water Appeals Board and Design Review Board**

**Presenter: Connie McIntyre, City Clerk**

Ms. McIntyre presented Bryan Overcarsh’s application for appointment to the Storm Water Appeals Board.

*Mayor pro tem Stille made a motion to approve the application as presented. Councilmember Anderson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

Ms. McIntyre presented Kevin James DeMark’s application for appoint to the Design Review Board.

*Councilmember Erica Brown made a motion to approve the application as presented. Councilmember Henderson Myers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

**IX. City Council Updates –**

**Councilmember Anderson** shared that, after the election that just took place, he hoped for civility as we work together to progress forward and continue to grow the city.

**Councilmember Brown** reminded everyone of “Dickens of a Christmas” that would take place on Tuesday, November 28. She mentioned that Hub Diggity Dog would be closing on Wednesday due to the owner’s retirement, and encouraged everyone to drop by before closing.

**Councilmember Rice** commended Spartanburg citizens for getting out and voting in the November 21 run-off election. He reminded them how important it was for their voices to be heard. He mentioned that Skating on the Square was up and running.

**Councilmember Henderson Myers** reminded everyone that we are “OneSpartanburg, that we should practice brotherly love, and that she was looking forward to working as one. She thanked the citizens who attended her Town Hall meeting.

**X. Adjournment-**

*Councilmember Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Jenkins seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.*

  
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**Connie S. McIntyre, City Clerk**